

HALL COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING JANUARY 14, 2003

CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pamela Lancaster.

INVOCATION - Invocation was given by

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The Pledge of Allegiance was given in unison.

ROLL CALL - Present on roll call were Scott Arnold, Jim Eriksen, Richard Hartman, Bob Humiston, Pamela Lancaster, and Robert Rye. Bud Jeffries was absent. Also present were County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz and representatives from the *Grand Island Independent* and KRGJ.

CONSENT AGENDA – Arnold made a motion and Humiston seconded to approve the following by consent agenda:

1. Accept and place on file the minutes from the December 31 meeting.
 2. 1a Authorize the Chair to sign the 2002 Tax Correction Notices #2740 to 2794
 3. 4 Approve a letter of recommendation for Clean Community Systems for the hazardous waste collection funds.
 4. 5 Approve the diesel fuel claim for the public works department
 5. 15 Approve the final plat for a. Rieflin Subdivision and for Mettinbrink Hill Subdivision
 6. 23 Accept and place on file the office reports from the Veterans Service Office, County Clerk, County Court, Hall County Sheriff, Hall & Howard County Juvenile Services, Register of Deeds, and Clerk of the District Court
 7. 24 Accept and place on file the Hall County Treasurer's Miscellaneous Receipts
 8. 25 Accept and place on file communications as received
- Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent.

OFFICE REPORT
HALL COUNTY JUVENILE SERVICES
DECEMBER 2002

JUVENILE REFERRALS	30 JUVENILES
JUVENILE OFFENDERS	2 JUVENILE
JUVENILE HOUSE ARREST	1 JUVENILES
TOTAL UNDER SUPERVISION	199 JUVENILES
FEES COLLECTED	\$330.00

OFFICE REPORT
HOWARD COUNTY JUVENILE SERVICES
DECEMBER 2002

JUVENILE REFERRALS	8 JUVENILES
TOTAL JUVENILE ENROLLEES	42 JUVENILES
FEES COLLECTED	\$325.00
TOTAL FEES COLLECTED FISCAL YEAR	\$ 1,425.00

OFFICE REPORT
REGISTER OF DEEDS
DECEMBER 2002

DOCUMENTARY STAMP FEES	\$18,280.48
RECORDING FEES	31,678.00
PHOTO FEES	651.50

OFFICE REPORT
COUNTY COURT
DECEMBER 2002

FINES (CO.)	\$47,240.83
OVERLOAD FINES	1,200.00
REIMBURSE SHERIFF FEES	1,354.88
WORK RELEASE FEES	1,246.00
REIMBURSE FAX COPIES	29.00
FINES (CITY)	7,777.50
REIMBURSE WITNESS FEES	290.28
BOND FORFEITURES	2,790.50
REIMBURSE CO. FEES	.00
TOTAL	\$ 61,928.99

OFFICE REPORT
CLERK OF THE DISTRICT COURT
DECEMBER 2002

FEES & INTEREST ON ACT #2-200-4	\$3,442.75
INTEREST EARNED ON ACT #114-0090191	
INTEREST EARNED ON ACT #7-396-2	

OFFICE REPORT
DECEMBER 2002

TITLE FEES STATE	\$13,958.00
TITLE FEES COUNTY	\$ 7,275.00
RECORDING FEES	\$ 66.00
MARRIAGE LICENSES	\$ 420.00
PHOTO FEES/FAX FEES & MISC.	\$ 21.00
PLAT BOOKS	
CERTIFIED COPIES MARRIAGE LICENSES	<u>\$ 150.00</u>

OFFICE REPORT
HALL COUNTY SHERIFF
NOVEMBER 2002

FEES MILEAGE & MISC	\$14,603.75
COPIES	99.50
HANDGUN APPLICATIONS	30.00
TITLE INSPECTIONS	2,490.00

Chairman Lancaster stated that she wanted to clarify comments in the newspaper concerning the audit for the Clerk of the District Court office. This is a common practice for an audit to be completed on an outgoing official.

COUNTY CLERK CALLS FOR NOMINATIONS OF 2003 COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN
County Clerk Marla Conley called for nominations of 2003 County Board Chairman.

Arnold nominated Pamela Lancaster.

County Clerk Marla Conley called for other nominations.

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Arnold stated that Pamela Lancaster be elected as 2003 chairman by acclamation. All members presented voted in favor.

County Clerk Marla Conley called for nominations for the 2003 Vice Chair of the Hall County Board of Supervisors

Hartman nominated Bud Jeffries.

County Clerk Marla Conley called for other nominations.

Lancaster nominated Scott Arnold.

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County Clerk Marla Conley called for other nominations. With no other nominations, nominations were closed.

The ballots were collected and Board Assistant Stacey Ruzicka and County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz counted the ballots. Scott Arnold received five votes and Bud Jeffries received one vote. Scott Arnold is the 2003 Vice Chair to the Hall County Board of Supervisors.

Arnold and Lancaster thanked the board for their support and stated there are a lot of challenges for this coming year.

COUNTY ATTORNEY 2A DISCUSS & AUTHORIZE OFFER TO PURCHASE COMMUNICATIONS TOWER SITE FROM DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY – County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz stated that the Army has contacted him concerning the purchase of the property at Cornhusker Army Ammunition Plant that the tower is located on. Through negotiations they have discussed an arms length price of \$5,000.00 for this parcel of land. Janulewicz is requesting that the county board authorize him to make an offer. Hartman made a motion and Arnold seconded to authorize County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz to make an offer on the tower site. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no. Motion carried.

2B EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS STRATEGY REGARDING LABOR AGREEMENT WITH COUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA
Eriksen made a motion and Arnold seconded to go into Executive session for negotiations Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

Executive session 9:10 a.m.

9:21 a.m. Arnold made a motion and Rye seconded to go out of the executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND APPROVE PROPOSED AGREEMENT WITH COMMUNICATIONS WORKERS OF AMERICA – County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz stated that the proposed agreement with the Communications Worker of America is similar to the other two agreements. They have accepted a 2% increase with no steps for 2002 and a 3% with steps for 2003. They have deleted a personal leave day and will receive Martin Luther King Day in January. They will also have direct deposit of the union dues. There will be pay out of comp time when an individual reaches 200 hours. Janulewicz is recommending that the board to approve the contract. Arnold made a motion and Humiston seconded to approve the CWA contract. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – Chairman Lancaster called for public participation and no one responded.

6 DISCUSS AND APPROVE CLAIM FOR CENTRAL DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT – Eriksen stated that the health department has decided to purchase a building and the board agreed to allow \$250,000.00 for this purchase. Eriksen made a motion and Arnold seconded to approve the claim for \$250,000.00 for the Central District Health Department to purchase the building. The funds will be paid from the inheritance fund and miscellaneous general fund. Hartman questioned if they also received the lot to the east and the building to the north and Eriksen stated they did not. Arnold, Eriksen, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and Hartman voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

Lancaster thanked Chuck Kaufman for the holiday decorations on the buildings and the decorations at the Hall County Park. Mr. Kaufman was present and he stated he would like to update the board on the moving projects in the old county attorney office building. He stated that the probation office will move this Friday and the public defender will move the next week. He also reported that the remodeling at Judge Luther's office is progressing and it looks very nice. Judge Luther is pleased with the work and invited the board to look it. He said the next project would be to replace ceiling tile and flooring in the courtroom to the south.

8 LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – REGARDING HALL COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING LOCATED AT 117 EAST FIRST STREET – Eriksen stated that once the county attorney moved the other offices will change location in the office building. Eriksen made a motion and Arnold seconded to authorize the probation office, the public defender's office and juvenile diversion offices to change locations in the office building. Arnold stated that the health department would also use some of the

space at the office building until they move. All parties have discussed this and now all of the offices will have sufficient room. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

9 UPDATE ON KUTAK ROCK PROGRESS ON RFP AND SET DATE FOR PRESENTATION OF DRAFT TO COUNTY BOARD – Lancaster stated that she has contacted Kutak Rock and they are using the draft that County Attorney Jerry Janulewicz had prepared as a base for the request for proposal. She has asked for a presentation on the draft RFP on January 28, 2003. Discussion was held and the board members want to be able to review the draft before the meeting. Arnold made a motion and Eriksen seconded to have a draft of the RFP to the board members on January 24, 2003, at 5:00 p.m. and the presentation to the board will be on January 28, 2003. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

7 EXECUTIVE SESSION HALL COUNTY PUBLIC DEFENDERS ORGANIZATION UNION NEGOTIATIONS – Humiston stated that they need more information on this and Humiston made a motion and Arnold seconded to table this item and put it on the agenda for January 28th. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

12 DESIGNATE COUNTY NEWSPAPERS FOR 2002 – County Clerk Marla Conley presented the list of county newspapers and Lancaster read the following list. Arnold made a motion and Humiston seconded to designate the county newspapers as submitted. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

Grand Island Independent	422 West First Street, Grand Island, NE	7 days
The Cairo Record	406 S High Street, Cairo, NE	Thursdays
The Doniphan Herald	406 N Church Street, Doniphan, NE	Thursdays
The Wood River Sunbeam	108 W 9 th Street, Wood River, NE	Wednesday

13 DESIGNATION OF COUNTY DEPOSITORIES FOR 2003 – County Clerk Marla Conley presented the certification for the county depositories. Arnold made a motion and Eriksen seconded to approve the named county depositories for 2003.

CERTIFICATION

STATE OF NEBRASKA)

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COUNTY OF HALL)

I, Marla J. Conley, County Clerk for and in said County, do hereby certify that the Hall County Board of Supervisors, in regular session on January 14, 2003 approved designating the following bank institutions in Hall County:

Bank of Doniphan	Doniphan, Nebraska
Bank of Wood River	Wood River, Nebraska
US Bank	Grand Island, Nebraska
Five Points Bank	Grand Island, Nebraska
Heritage Bank	Grand Island, Nebraska
Wells Fargo Bank	Grand Island, Nebraska
State Bank of Cairo	Cairo, Nebraska
Union Bank & Trust Company	Grand Island, Nebraska
United Nebraska Bank	Grand Island, Nebraska
Home Federal Grand Island	Grand Island, Nebraska
Equitable Federal Savings & Loan	Grand Island, Nebraska

Which have qualified as public depositories under Section 77-2312 RRS 1943, of Nebraska State Statutes, shall be and are hereby designated as public depositories for all public monies coming into the hands of Doris A. Mason, as Treasurer of County of Hall, Nebraska.

Witness my hand and seal of office this 9th day of January, 2003

Marla J. Conley, Hall County Clerk

9:30 a.m. Held the board of equalization meeting.

11 COMMENCE AUDIT OF BI-WEEKLY PAY CLAIMS AND ACTION ON CLAIM AUDIT
Hartman made a motion and Arnold seconded to approve the biweekly pay claims and regular claims for payroll. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no, with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

10 EXECUTIVE SESSION PERFORMANCE EVALUATION – Eriksen made a motion and Rye seconded to go into executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

9:45 a.m. executive session

9:50 a.m. Arnold made a motion and Rye seconded to go out of executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

Eriksen made a motion and Humiston seconded to present the performance evaluation to the employee. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

Meeting recessed at 9:55 a.m. for the jail tour the board will go back into session at 11:00 a.m. for the board of corrections meeting. Discussion was held on the time for the board of corrections meetings and Arnold suggested moving them up to 10:00 a.m. instead of 11:00 a.m.

Recessed for jail tour.

11:00 a.m. Returned to session for the board of corrections meeting. Held the board of corrections meeting.

BOARD ASSISTANT'S REPORT – Board Assistant Stacey Ruzicka reminded the board members of their meetings. She stated that she had received an invitation from Riverside Lodge for the annual pie-eating contest and she asked for volunteers. She also reminded the board members about the county board workshop February 5 and 6th and reminded them to get the committee assignment preferences to her.

BOARD MEMBERS REPORTS - Hartman – no report

Humiston – no report

Eriksen - He attended a couple of meetings at the Central District Health Department but the media reported on most of the information.

Rye – No report. Lancaster welcomed him to the county board.

Arnold – He reported he attended a corrections steering committee meeting. The fire inspection was completed at the jail and there were no major concerns. In order to use the one area of the jail it will be necessary to install the ventilation system, but the money is already budgeted for that project. He also reported that the juvenile committee needs to work on the service plan. The county received grant money for this project and the committee discussed requesting assistance from professors from UNK. They had assisted with the plan in Buffalo County and have come highly recommended. The committee would like to use them to complete the plan, but they may need additional dollars to pay for it. The committee will meet and come back with a recommendation. This project needs to be completed by June 30, 2003. Arnold stated that they may only need an additional \$2,500.00.

Lancaster – She distributed the committee lists and ask that the board members give her their requests by the end of the week so the new list can be completed by the next meeting. She stated that she serves on the College Park Board and the Midland Area Agency on Aging Board and there is sometimes a conflict. She suggested that there be a third person on the Midland Area Agency on Aging board so she could attend the quarterly College Park meetings. She questioned if the human relations committee and the vending committee could be appointed as needed and also the excellence in education committee has not been active so it could be deleted. She also mentioned that the public works committee could be eliminated because there is now an elected official but with the transition they will leave this committee in tact. She also requested the boards input on the keno dollars that have been spent on roads and if these dollars could be used for economic development.

Discussion was held. The Stuhr search committee, human relations committee and vending committee will be deleted.

Lancaster also congratulated Pam Price on her selection as Woman of the Year and recognized her efforts to support Stuhr Museum. She also recognized John Brownell on his selection as “Man of the Year” and his community involvement and support.

She reported that she worked with Kutek Rock on the RFP for the jail. She has been in contact with the Army Corp of Engineer concerning the land at CAAP and discussed securing fund to transfer the land. They only have enough funding to complete the projects that have been started. The Corp of Engineers in Omaha would like to see the projects completed. It has been a lot of hard work over the last ten years. In the future the Army will not be involved in land transfer because of the funding.

NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Chairman Lancaster called for new or unfinished business and County Clerk Marla Conley presented Chairman Lancaster with a plaque for serving as Chairman of the County Board for 2002.

County Clerk Marla Conley provided the board members with a memo regarding the sale of county flags. The clerk has sold the flags for several years and the current supply has been exhausted. She will purchase more flags for future sales.

Lancaster welcomed Dan Hostler as the newly elected County Surveyor. Mr. Hostler stated that he has advertised an engineer and has one application.

Meeting was recessed until 1:00 p.m. for the presentation from Bill Stoval with the Hall County Airport.

1:00 p.m. returned to regular session

16 BILL STOVAL HALL COUNTY AIRPORT EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATIONS – Arnold made a motion and Eriksen seconded to go into executive session regarding real estate negotiations. . Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

1:05 p.m. executive session

2:00 p.m. Arnold made a motion and Humiston seconded to go out of executive session. Arnold, Eriksen, Hartman, Humiston, Lancaster and Rye all voted yes and none voted no with Jeffries absent. Motion carried.

2:00 p.m. Bill Stoval and Mayor Jay Vavrick gave a presentation on the Apache Helicopter Squadron that is considering locating in the tri-city area.

2:10 p.m. Meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be January 28, 2003.

Marla J. Conley Hall County Clerk

REMINDER: The County Board meetings may be viewed on GITV Cable Channel 6 and UHF Channel 56 Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. and Friday at 8:00 a.m.

